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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.

Our Ref: 381AS/50347

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: SEAL MECHANISM AND FUEL PUMP PROVIDED THEREWITH Enclosed are:

- 1. Specification, including $\underline{10}$ claims (pages $\underline{20}$, plus specification front page).
- 2. <u>7</u> Sheets of <u>X</u> Formal ___ Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-10.
- 3. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document 2001-205538, filed in Japan on July 6, 2001.
- 4. X Information Disclosure Statement w/ 1 reference.

The filing fee is being deferred.

Respectfully submitted,

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